

Bike & Ride

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY
TRANSIT



On Metrobus, Metrorail and Metromover



Includes Bike & Ride Permit Application



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Extend Your Bike Ride on Transit

Ride with your bike on Metrobus, Metrorail, and Metromover. Cyclists who ride Metrobus and Metromover do not need a bicycle permit. However, cyclists who use Metrorail must use a permit and must be at least 12 years of age. Be ready to show your permit anytime at the request of a transit official.

Bike & Ride Permit

REQUEST A BIKE & RIDE PERMIT BY:

- **Filling out and signing the application in this brochure.** Be sure to attach a copy of a valid photo ID when you mail it. The bike permit will be mailed to you within 10 working days.
- **Stopping by the security officer's booth at any Metrorail station.** Security personnel can issue Bike & Ride permits during Metrorail operating hours. A parent or guardian must accompany cyclists under 18 years of age who apply for a Bike & Ride permit. Show a valid photo ID, complete and sign the application, and give it to the officer. The bike permit is issued

immediately. Cyclists must be familiar with bicycle safety rules.

- **Visiting any transit service center or Team Metro office.** Be prepared to show a valid photo ID.

OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BIKE & RIDE PERMIT APPLICATIONS BY:

- **Calling 305-884-7567**, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. An application will be mailed to you.
- **Logging on to www.miamidade.gov/transit/.** Click the Publications link on Transit's home page. Scroll down and click on the Bike & Ride brochure link to access this publication in PDF format, which can be printed out and includes the application.

Metrorail Bicycle Lockers

If you'd rather leave your bike at a rail station, bicycle lockers are available at Okeechobee, Hialeah, Northside, Allapattah, Government Center, Vizcaya, Coconut Grove, Douglas Road, University, South Miami, Dadeland North, and Dadeland South Metrorail stations. Locker rentals: 3 months, \$25; 6 months, \$45; 12 months, \$70; plus a \$10 key deposit that is refunded when the key is returned. Contact the bicycle/pedestrian coordinator, 305-375-1647, for more information.

Safety Tips

- Use caution when stepping off the curb to load or unload your bike from a bus.
- Be patient while others load or remove bikes on the bus rack. Load and unload your bike quickly.
- Wait for the bus to leave before you cross the street.
- For your safety, bikes are not allowed on Metrorail and Metromover station escalators.

Note: All motorized scooters are allowed on transit vehicles but must be folded and held or placed under the seat out of the way of other passengers.

Rules & Regulations

1. Bike & Ride permits are not transferable.
2. Bicycles must be clean and free of excess grease, dirt, and sharp objects.
3. Bicycles can be no longer than 80 inches, no higher than 48 inches, and no wider than 22 inches.
Children's bicycles with a wheel size less than 16 inches and bicycles with high-back child seats are not allowed on bus racks.
4. Metrobus operators are not responsible for mounting or removing bicycles on the rack.
5. Board Metrorail with your bicycle through the rear door of the last car only. Stay with your bike only at the rear end of the last rail car. Up to four bicycles are allowed inside a Metrorail car at a time.
6. While aboard Metrorail and Metromover, cyclists must be in full control of the bicycle, and must never leave it unattended.
7. Passengers with bicycles may not place or store their bikes on Metrorail and Metromover in the spaces reserved for passengers in wheelchairs. It is mandatory that people with disabilities have priority over cyclists, including entering and exiting stations, using elevators, and inside trains.
8. Riding your bicycle inside Metrorail and Metromover stations, including adjacent bus facilities, is strictly prohibited. Bicycle riding is allowed only in areas intended for vehicle traffic, such as parking lots and access roads.
9. In an emergency evacuation of a Metrorail train, bicycles must be placed on the seats and abandoned.
10. In case of a Metrobus accident, cyclists cannot remove their bicycles from the rack until permitted by the bus operator.

- Any authorized Miami-Dade Transit personnel or security officer may temporarily deny cyclists access to train stations, platforms, train cars, or buses until overcrowded conditions clear.
- In addition to these rules and regulations, cyclists must always obey verbal instructions or directives of transit personnel, Metrorail and Metrobus operators, and security officers, police, and fire rescue officials, as well.

Florida State Bicycle Laws

- Bicycle riders and passengers under 16 years of age must wear a properly fitted and secured bicycle helmet that meets national standards. This includes a child riding in a trailer attached to a bicycle.
- A bicycle may not be used to carry more people than it is designed or equipped to carry.
- Cyclists carrying a passenger under 4 years of age, who weighs 40 pounds or less, must secure the child in a seat or carrier designed for a child that age and size and protect him or her from bicycle moving parts. An adult rider may carry a child secured in a backpack or sling.
- Bicycle riders may not leave a passenger in a child seat or carrier on the bicycle when the bicycle is unattended.
- A person may not rent or lease any bicycle that will be ridden by a child under 16 years of age, unless the child is wearing a bicycle helmet or is provided a helmet by the person renting or leasing the bicycle.

Bike & Ride On Metrobus

Most Metrobus routes are served by buses equipped with bicycle racks. These racks are clearly visible at the front of the bus. For a list of bicycle-accessible routes, log on to www.miamidade.gov/transit/, or call Customer Services.

A Bike & Ride permit is not needed to ride with your bicycle on Metrobus.

Ride any rack-equipped bus on any route, as most buses are bike accessible. On occasion, a bus may arrive without a bicycle rack. Please wait for the next bus.

- Prepare your bike for loading by removing loose items.
- Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to mount your bicycle on the rack.
- To open the bicycle rack, squeeze the silver rack handle up to release the latch. Carefully lower the rack.
- Place your bike wheels into the slots labeled "front" and "rear." Load your bike in the space nearest the bus.
- To secure the bike, raise the support arm over the front wheel as far as possible. Be sure the arm rests on the tire, not the fender.
- To unload, release the support arm and lift the bike from the rack. If the rack is empty, squeeze the silver handle to return it to the upright position.

Once you have secured your bike, enter the bus and pay your

fare. When you arrive at your destination, exit the bus through the front door and tell the bus operator you want to remove your bike from the rack.

Bike & Ride On Metrorail

You need a permit to board Metrorail with your bike. Always be prepared to show your bike permit at the request of transit officials.

- If you need a Bike & Ride permit, stop at the security officer's booth, show your valid photo ID, and complete an application.
- Pay your trip fare at the fare gate next to the wheelchair-accessible gate. After going through the fare gate, retrieve your bike through the wheelchair-accessible gate.
- Wait for the train away from the platform's yellow-tiled edge.
- Bicycles are permitted only in the rear section of the last car of each train.
- Up to four passengers with bicycles may ride in a train.
- Passengers with bicycles may not place or store their bikes in the spaces reserved for passengers in wheelchairs.
- Use the elevator to reach the ground floor, and exit the station through the wheelchair-accessible gate.



Bike & Ride On Metromover

You now can ride with your bicycle on Metromover. Passengers with bicycles who ride Metrobus and Metromover do not need a bicycle permit. However, cyclists must be familiar with bicycle safety rules.

Note: Most motorized scooters are allowed on transit vehicles but must be folded and held or placed under the seat out of the way of other passengers. For your safety, bikes are not allowed on station escalators.

Transit Telephone Numbers

CUSTOMER SERVICES

Customer Services305-770-3131
Toll-Free South of SW 216th Street.....305-891-3131
TTY Users (deaf and hard-of-hearing)305-654-6530

OTHER TRANSIT SERVICES

Bike & Ride Permit Applications..... 305-884-7567
Bicycle Locker Rentals.....305-375-1647

MDT Website www.miamidade.gov/transit
Transportation Portal Go.miamidade.gov



Liability and Indemnification Release

RELEASE

Recognizing that a bicycle in Miami-Dade Transit station areas and aboard trains and buses poses a potential hazard to others and to me in the event of a sudden stop, acceleration, collision, fire, or other emergency, as well as to passengers who may stumble, fall, or bump into my bicycle, I freely and willingly waive all claims for injury to myself or damage to my bicycle arising out of the Bike & Ride program. Further, in consideration of the permission granted, I hereby release Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors from any and all liability for injury of any kind to me or to my bicycle or other property I may have with me, incurred by reason of any act, or failure to act, on my part, or Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors, arising because of the presence of my bicycle on MDT property.

INDEMNIFICATION

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Miami-Dade County, its directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors from all costs, suits, judgments, damages, or expenses, direct or indirect, for injury to other persons and/or their property and/or damages to Miami-Dade Transit property, including, but not limited to, loss of use incurred by reason of act or failure to act on my part or by reason of any act, including negligence, of Miami-Dade County directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees, and security, maintenance, and/or janitorial contractors, arising because of my bringing a bicycle on MDT property. I recognize that these provisions cause me to be personally liable for injuries to passengers, employees, and property, arising by reason of my bicycle's presence in MDT stations or on MDT trains, buses, or Metromover cars.

**A COPY OF A VALID PHOTO
IDENTIFICATION MUST BE
ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION
WHEN APPLYING BY MAIL.**

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Permit number: _____

Date issued: _____

Bike & Ride Permit Application

First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Street

City State Zip Code

Telephone

I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Miami-Dade Transit Bike & Ride program and promise to abide by these rules and regulations. If I violate any Bike & Ride rules and regulations, I understand that my permit may be revoked.

VERIFY APPLICANT IS 12 YEARS OR OLDER

Applicant's Signature Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN FOR APPLICANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

First Name Last Name

Daytime Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

If applying by mail, send the completed application with a copy of your driver's license or state ID to:

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